PUBLIC NOTICE - REGION 2000 REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY PLAN

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on the Region 2000 Local Government Council Regional Water Supply Plan submitted to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) under §9 VAC 25-780, et seq, Local and Regional Water Supply Planning regulation.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: January 4, 2013 – February 5, 2013

DESCRIPTION OF THE WATER SUPPLY PLAN:

The Region 2000 Local Government Council Regional Water Supply Plan ("Plan"), dated April 2011, identifies existing water sources, estimates current and future water demand, and assesses the need for additional sources for future water supply for the counties of Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford, Campbell, Nelson; the cities of Bedford, Lynchburg; and the towns of Altavista, Amherst, Appomattox, Brookneal, and Pamplin. DEQ has issued a tentative determination of compliance to the Deputy Director of Region 2000, Mr. Bob White. The following is a brief summary of the Plan:

The 12 localities and four authorities comprising the Region 2000 Local Government Council Regional Water Supply Planning group are located primarily in the Roanoke River Basin. The plan identifies ground water, reservoirs, and stream intakes, such as those on the James, Roanoke, and Buffalo Rivers, and as principal water supply sources for the community water systems described in the plan. Self supplied agricultural and non-agricultural users are also identified. With few exceptions, the planning region is projected to experience a water supply surplus of approximately 2.0 MGD by the year 2060. According to the plan, additional groundwater sources, reservoirs, intakes, interconnections, reuse and recycling, and demand management are water supply alternatives being considered in the region.

HOW TO COMMENT: DEQ accepts written comments by e-mail, or postal mail. Written comments should include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ during the comment period. The regional water supply plan is available from the contact below or on the DEQ website at www.deq.virginia.gov. Upon review of written comments submitted in response to this public notice, DEQ will make a final compliance determination decision.

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